

**TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS
OF INDUSTRIAL MEDICAL COUNCIL
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
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ARTICLE 2 QME Eligibility

Section 18. **QME Fee Due Dates and reappointment after lapse of fee payment,**

(a) All physicians, ~~regardless of the number of comprehensive medical legal evaluations performed under Section 17~~ shall pay the required QME fees at yearly intervals within 30 days of receipt of notice from the Council that the QME fee for the next 12 months is due and payable. No physician who has passed the QME competency examination shall be placed on the active QME roster until the appropriate fee under section ~~15~~ 17 has been paid.

(b) Any QME who fails to pay the required statutory fee within 30 days of receipt of a final notice that the fee is due shall be notified that he or she shall be terminated from the official QME roster of physicians within 30 days and shall not perform any panel QME or represented QME comprehensive medical-legal evaluation until the fee is paid.

(c) If the fee is not paid within two years from the due date in the QME's final notice from the Council that the fee is due, then the physician shall ~~resubmit~~ submit a new application pursuant to Sections 10 and 11, pass the QME competency examination, meet then current criteria for reappointment, retake the report writing class, and pay the appropriate fee prior to regaining QME eligibility.

(d) Prior to reappointment, a QME whose appointment has lapsed pursuant to subsection (b) and who would have been required to show completion of 12 hours of continuing education pursuant to Section 55 shall show completion of 12 hours of continuing education for the appointment term ending at the time of the lapse. The reappointment term of a QME whose appointment has lapsed shall expire at the end of two years from the date of expiration of the term prior to the lapse. A QME reinstated to appointment after a lapse period shall nevertheless complete the normally required 12 hours of continuing education during the remaining period of the reappointment term. If this 12 hours of required continuing education is not completed and the fee paid within two years of the date of the expiration of the prior term, the QME must reapply pursuant to subsection (c).

Authority Cited: Section 59, 139, 139.2, Labor Code.
Reference: Sections 139 and 139.2, Labor Code.

ARTICLE 6 QME Discipline

Section 66. **Definition of "a crime of moral turpitude" for purposes of Labor Code section 139.2.**

For purposes of Labor Code section 139.2, "a crime of moral turpitude" is defined to mean a crime of dishonesty or a crime in which the perpetrator expressed a general readiness to do evil. It does not include a

violation of Penal Code section 273.5 or similar crime, or a crime of battery upon a spouse, except that a crime of battery upon a child is nevertheless a crime of moral turpitude.

Authority Cited: Sections 59, 139, 139.2, Labor Code.
Reference: Section 139.2, Labor Code